

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE HIERARCHY

1. There are no official positions between the Secretary and Deputy Secretary and the Assistant Secretaries at the present time. Defense has proposed a bill which would create an Under Secretary for International Security Affairs (i.e. an elevation of Gordon Gray's present position). It is not believed that this proposal will get anywhere during this session, however.

2. There are nine Assistant Secretaries of Defense as follows: (1) Comptroller, (2) Manpower and Personnel, (3) Legislative and Public Affairs, (4) National Security Affairs, (5) Research and Development, (6) Applications Engineering, (7) Supply and Logistics, (8) Properties and Installations, and (9) Health and Medical. There is, in addition, the General Counsel who has the same rank, status and salary. In the House Executive Pay Bill, these positions will be raised to \$19,000; in the Senate bill, to \$20,000.

3. Each of the Service Departments has a Secretary and Under Secretary. Below that level, each of the Service Departments has four Assistant Secretaries. A bill has just passed the House which will add a new Assistant Secretary for Research and Development to each of the Service Departments. Under both the House and Senate Executive Pay Bills, the salaries of the Secretaries are raised to \$22,000, and the Under Secretaries to \$20,000. Under the Senate bill, the Assistant Secretaries are raised to \$20,000; under the House bill, to \$19,000.

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